BITUARIES

Vernon J. Archer Sept. 18, 1927 - Nov. 19, 2007

Vernon J. Archer, 80, McPher-19 in Wichita.

Mr. Archer was born Sept. 18, 1927 in rural Densmore, the son of Lloyd C. and Tillie H. (Siegrist)

He attended several country schools in Phillips County and graduated with the class of 1945 from Norton Community High

He joined the United States Army during World War II. After the war he attended Washburn University, Topeka and graduated in 1952 with a business degree.

On Jan. 24, 1954, he married Patricia J. "Pat" Deckert at the First Christian Church, Great Bend.

Mr. Archer had been a farmer and a surveyor. After moving to McPherson in 1954, he worked for the National Cooperative Refinery Association as a warehouse clerk. Through the years he also worked as a buyer, in the bargaining unit, as a pipeliner and finally as a truck driver gauger. He retired in 1992 after 37 years of service to the company.

He was a member of the son, a graduate of Norton Com- McPherson American Legion munity High School, died Nov. and of the First Christian Church, McPherson.

> He was preceded in death by his parents.

Survivors include: his wife, Pat; three sons, Matt Archer, Newton, Mark Archer, McPherson and Jeff Archer, Sheridan, Ark.; a daughter, Kala Mason, McPherson; a brother, Raymond Archer, Tahlequah, Okla.; a sister, Virginia Fought, De Moines, Iowa; nine grandchildren; and one greatgranddaughter.

Graveside services will be held at 10 a.m. Wednesday at the McPherson Cemetery. Military honors will be presented by members of the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars. Memorial services will follow at 11 a.m. at Glidden-Ediger Chapel, McPherson. The Rev. John Gran, Sr., will officiate.

Memorial contributions are suggested to Harry Hynes Memorial Hospice and may be sent in care of the funeral home, 222 West Euclid Street, McPherson, Kan. 67460.

Helen Curry Feb. 9, 1914 - Nov. 10, 2007

the Norton County Hospital.

Mrs. Curry was born Feb. 9, Ellen (Smith) Hubbard on a farm southwest of Calvert.

She attended Bunker Hill Grade School and graduated from Norton Community High School in

She married Edwin Curry in June of 1931. They lived on a farm northeast of Norton and then moved to a house on Country Club Road near Norton. The family later moved to a ranch at Hendley, Neb., and then to her dream home near Longmont, Colo., with a view of Long's Peak.

After her husband's death in 1978, she bought a condominium next to her daughter, Alice, at The Villages, San Jose, Calif. After her daughter's death in 1999, Andbe Home.

Norton United Methodist Church 67654 and Ladies Circle, holding many offices.

She was preceded in death by arrangements.

Helen Curry, 93, died Nov. 10 at her parents; her husband, James in 1978; two daughters, Mona Eileen Curry in 1945 and Alice 1914, to John Marshall and Mary Lenore (Curry) Brown in 1999; her brother, John Hubbard and his wife, Gerry; her sister, Ruth (Hubbard) Geyer in 1969; and a brother-in-law, Clifford Tweed in 2000.

Survivors include her former son-in-law, Alvin Brown and his wife, Clara; a brother, a sister, Esther (Hubbard) Tweed, Norton; a brother-in-law, Quentin Geyer, St. Joseph, Mo.; two grandchildren; and four greatgrandchildren.

Graveside services were held Nov. 15 at the Norton Cemetery. The Rev. Lew Van Der Wege officiated. Soloist, Clair Rumford, sang "In The Garden" and "Amazing Grace".

Memorials are suggested to the she moved back to Norton to the Andbe Home, 201 W. Crane or the Wichita. He weighed 7 First United Methodist Church, Mrs. Curry was a member of the 805 W. Wilberforce, Norton, Kan.

> Olliff-Boeve Memorial Chapel, Phillipsburg, was in charge of the

EATH NOTICE

Gary L. Towery May 10, 1963 - Nov. 18, 2007

Gary Lynn Towery, 44, Hast- Hall. ings, Neb., formerly of Almena, died Nov. 18.

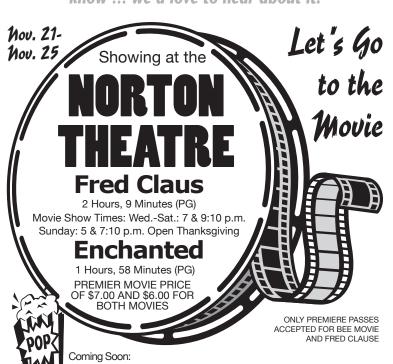
be later from 1 to 5 p.m. at City 67654.

A memorial fund has been established. Contributions may be Memorial services will be sent in care of the Almena State held at 10:30 a.m., Saturday at Bank, 500 Main, Almena, Kan. the Almena City Hall. Visita- 67622 or the Norton branch, 202 tion for friends and family will E. Washington, Norton, Kan.

— The Norton City offices will be closed for Thanksgiving Nov. be closed Friday, Nov. 23 for 22 and 23.

- Prairie Wind Eyecare will Thanksgiving.

Have a story idea? Call 877-3361 and let us know ... we'd love to hear about it!



This year think turkey 'planned-overs'

Part of the pleasure of a ern beans drained Thanksgiving or other holiday ground cumin

meal is the aroma of a turkey baking in your oven. Continue that great feeling by planning a variety of pleasing post-holiday

Home ed Tranda Watts, **Extension** specialist

meals with leftover turkey. Turkey makes a great first meal plus delicious leftovers that are easy to combine into a variety of scrumptious future meals. Try turkey year round and think "planned-overs"

with turkey. Follow these food safety guidelines for handling your

rather than "leftovers" to cook

up a quick and delicious meal

- Debone turkey and refrigerate all leftovers in shallow containers within 2 hours of
- 3 to 4 days, stuffing and gravy within 1 to 2 days, or freeze these foods.
- When reheating turkey, reheat thoroughly to a temperature of 165 degrees F. until hot and steaming throughout.

Here is one recipe for leftover turkey provided by the Nebraska Department of Agriculture.

White Turkey Chili (serves 8)

tablespoon 1/4 c. onion, chopped

1 c. celery, chopped 4 c. cooked turkey, chopped 2 cans (15.5 oz.) Great North1 teaspoon

2 cans

4 cups tur-



Heat oil in a skillet over medium heat. Add onion and celery, cook and stir 2 to 3 minutes. Place all ingredients in a large saucepan (at least 4 quarts). Stir well. Cover and cook about 15 minutes over medium heat stirring occasionally until thoroughly heated. Sprinkle mozzarella cheese on top if desired.

Cook's Tips:

1. You can substitute 1 tablespoon chopped dried onion for the chopped fresh onion or as recommended on the dried onion container.

2. If you have extra broth, • Use leftover turkey within use it instead of water when cooking vegetables or use it for some or all of the liquid in making rice. Use within a day or two or freeze.

> If you have food preparation questions, contact your local K-State Research and Extension Office.

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Kamran Marcel Bradley

Joyce Johnson and Edwin Ayden Joseph Bradley, 11/2 years "Corky" Bradley, Derby, are the parents of Kamran Marcel Bradley, born Oct. 19 at Wesley Birthcare Center, pounds 11 ounces and was 20 1/2 inches long. Kamran has a brother,

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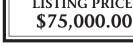
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Writing letters becomes a lost social skill

The electronic age is slowly but surely eradicating the art of correspondence. Now, that there's a cell phone in every pocket and a computer on every desk communication has become so convenient and easy that the sale of stationery, stamps and fountain pens are on a downhill

Now don't get me wrong -Itruly enjoy my computer and delight in opening my e-mail each morning. Many old and new friends send me letters and notes by this marvelous method and I devour every one, although I like letters better than forfriends all over the United States of fans electronically that I may never meet personally.

But, in spite of all that, it is a joy to unlock my mailbox and find, mixed in with the junk mail, a personally hand-addressed envelope plump with pages of news, perhaps a snapshot or two or a handful of clippings. My sister's letters, though rare, are like a smorgasbord of goodies with enclosures galore. To alleviate my homesickness last fall, a Norton friend sent me a letter and filled the envelope with autumn leaves she had gathered in her yard. So simple, so welcome! stationery that's been in the back An unexpected letter from an of a drawer far too long. Today, unexpected source sure perks up a day.

Mama wrote faithfully to me and to my sister for years and years. The children remember Sunday afternoon walks or drives to the post office to put my letter to Mama into the letter slot. Mama said a phone call was nice but a letter could be put in your apron pocket and read over and over all week. I plead guilty to not writing and mailing letters that way to anyone anymore. If you don't have a computer, you don't hear much from me and I must admit that it's not only the ease of e-mail, but pure laziness that robs the post office of stamp

What prompted this column was the discovery of a bundle of letters in a box of "stuff". Still in their bordered airmail Norton and the late Joe envelopes, the thin blue pages

Child of the 40s Liza Deines



been written to me during the Korean Conflict by a young soldier that I never met. A friend's GI boyfriend wrote home asking if she would locate someone who would write to a buddy who never got anything at mail call. She knew I liked to write so she asked me if I would be interested. And so it came to be that Frank warded "cutesy-poo" stuff. By and I exchanged letters for a this method I stay in touch with couple of years. I wrote about life in Kansas; he compared it to from whom I might never hear his home in Michigan. He wrote otherwise. Coast to coast my about his leave in Hong Kong columns travel quick as a flash and I told him of a band trip to and over the years I've met a lot the Kansas State Fair. We had no romantic involvement at all but I made it a point to use pretty, girly stationery, scented with perfume to impress his buddies. Rereading those letters took me back to an almost forgotten time in history, back to another war where American boys grew to become men.

> Do you know someone that needs a letter today? Perhaps an old friend in a nursing home, perhaps a GI in Iraq, perhaps just a relative or acquaintance you've not seen in a long time. Sit down and write just a few lines on that somewhere, someone wants to hear from you. Did someone walk through your life and leave a lasting footprint on the bank of your memory river? Let them know. I cannot tell you what a lift it gave LeRoy in his last year when he received letters from former students telling him he had made a difference in their lives. We seldom saw him cry but there were tears of happiness when he read those letters.

> Cast your correspondence on the waters. Wouldn't it be wonderful to find a reply in your own mailbox?

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